



CALENDAR FOR SUCCESS

A good student group will be mostly made up of casual meetings and get-togethers around a common interest, with 2-3 larger events sprinkled throughout the semester. Use this as a guide below:

Late Aug/Early Sept

- ✓ **Meetings:** 1-2 general meetings to introduce the club and its purpose to new and returning members.
- ✓ **Events:** Organize an orientation event, social gathering, or welcome party to build community and engage members

September

- ✓ **Meetings:** Hold 1-2 general meetings to discuss upcoming events and opportunities for involvement.
- ✓ **Events:** Host at least one event related to the club's mission or interests. This could be a workshop, speaker event, or community service activity

October

- ✓ **Meetings:** Conduct 1-2 general meetings to evaluate progress and plan for the remainder of the semester.
- ✓ **Events:** Organize a fundraiser or collaborative event with another club to increase visibility and engagement.

November

- ✓ **Meetings:** Hold 1-2 general meetings to provide updates on ongoing projects and encourage member participation.
- ✓ **Events:** Host a cultural event or themed activity that aligns with the interests of the club.

December

- ✓ **Meetings:** Hold 1 general meeting before the winter break to discuss plans for the upcoming semester.
- ✓ **Events:** Consider hosting a holiday celebration or community outreach event.

Late Jan/February

- ✓ **Meetings:** Conduct a general meeting at the start of the new semester to welcome new members and set goals.
- ✓ **Events:** Participate in Club Fair. Plan an event or initiative to celebrate Black History Month or another relevant awareness campaign, organize a career development event, or a collaborative activity

March

- ✓ **Meetings:** Conduct 1-2 general meetings to finalize plans for the rest of the semester and discuss leadership transitions (if applicable).
- ✓ **Events:** Host a large-scale event, such as a conference, panel discussion, or themed week.

April

- ✓ **Meetings:** Hold 1-2 general meetings to prepare for the end of the academic year and reflect on achievements.
- ✓ **Events:** Organize a community service project or collaborate with other clubs for a joint event.

May

- ✓ **Meetings:** Conduct 1 general meeting to wrap up the academic year, thank members for their contributions, and discuss plans for the summer and the following year.
- ✓ **Events:** Host an end-of-year celebration or awards ceremony to recognize outstanding members and accomplishments.

WHY HAVE CLUB MEETINGS?

A meeting is something open to your club's regular members. Members are expected to attend and come together to work on the club's goals and have fun. Events are something a whole group puts together open to the entire community.

This will focus on how to make the most out of meetings!

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EFFECTIVE PLANNING

Meetings help organize events and initiatives, keeping everyone on track and focused.

SHARED VISION

Meetings align everyone with the club's purpose, increasing dedication.

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OPEN COMMUNICATION

Regular gatherings encourage sharing ideas and feedback, making members feel valued.

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CONSISTENCY MATTERS

Regular meetings show commitment, keeping the organization active and thriving.

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FOSTERING FRIENDSHIPS

Meetings create a close-knit community where students build lasting friendships.

DEVELOPING LEADERS

Meetings offer team-building and leadership opportunities for growth.

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EMBRACING DIVERSITY

Inclusive meetings celebrate diverse perspectives, leading to innovation.

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CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Acknowledging achievements during meetings fosters pride and dedication.

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ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT

Regular gatherings boost involvement, inspiring members to contribute more.

MEMORABLE EXPERIENCES

Regular gatherings create lasting memories, forging strong bonds among members.

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Meetings are vital for building community and friendships within student organizations. It's essential for an organization's growth and success to have a sense of belonging, engagement, and shared vision among members.

Student leaders can create a thriving and supportive student organization by prioritizing regular meetings, being consistent, and being inclusive.

Meetings build a strong student organization by facilitating effective planning, open communication, community-building, and embracing diversity. Consistency in meetings keeps members engaged and dedicated, fostering success and lasting memories